

HARRIS ON STAND IN MURDER TRIAL

Defendant Tells of Alleged Insults at the Hands of the Man He Slew.

SAYS HE WAS PERSECUTED

Prosecution Unable to Shake Testimony—Jury May Get Case To-day.

WARRENTON, VA., September 29.—Professor J. D. Harris, principal of the Warrenton High School, took the witness stand in his own defense late today and told the jury, before which he is on trial for the life, why he shot and fatally wounded F. A. Thompson, editor of the Warrenton Virginian, on the streets of this place on April 21 last.

During the two hours he was under examination, Harris remained calm and the prosecution was unable to confuse him. He said that he tried to avoid the encounter with Thompson when he was in the street. When, however, he met and Thompson attacked him, he drew his revolver in self-defense, but deliberately fired into the ground from a kneeling position into which he had been forced by Thompson's blows. He said he fired merely to frighten Thompson into ceasing the assault upon him. It was while he was rising from his knees that he fired the shot which inadvertently took effect in Thompson's abdomen and resulted in his death within twenty hours. He said that he had no intention of killing Thompson.

Tells of Alleged Insults.

Harris recited the events leading up to the shooting. He said Thompson had heaped insult after insult upon him for months preceding because of a dispute they had had over a bill.

When Harris was excused court adjourned for the day.

The other witness at the afternoon session was W. B. Ficklin, who testified as to Thompson's steps of the way to the hospital in Washington. It is believed the case will reach the jury late to-morrow.

Eyewitness' Testimony.

The State placed M. W. Strother on the witness stand when court opened to-day. Strother, an eyewitness to the shooting, described the affair. He was walking on the streets with Professor Harris, he said, when they were overtaken by Thompson, who uttered an oath, apparently at Harris, whereupon the latter stepped into the street and called to Irwin Maxheimer, who was near by, to take Thompson away, as he did not want to have any trouble with the editor. Thompson stepped forward quickly before Maxheimer could interfere, and struck Harris in the face. Maxheimer then interposed, and Strother saw two shots fired toward the ground. Harris moved around, apparently with an effort, and brought his revolver against Thompson's body. Strother testified to seeing a flash and hearing a muffled report. He left the scene and did not hear the fourth shot.

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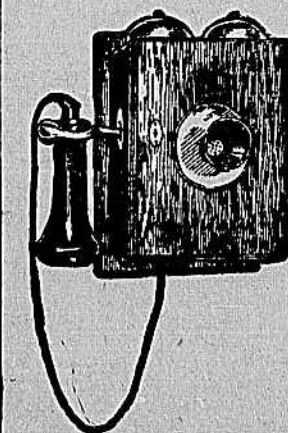


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ANOTHER JUDGE WILL HEAR CAUSE

Judge Mullen Decides Not to Sit In Colored Church Litigation.

REFUSES \$3,000 FOR HORSE

Animal Will Race at State Fair—Democrats to Have Meeting.

Times-Dispatch Bureau, 109 North Spotswood Street, Petersburg, Va., September 29.

When the chancery cause of Avery et als vs. Tartie et als, involving the Harrison Street (colored) Baptist Church controversy, pending in the Hustings Court, was called this morning on its second day's hearing, Judge J. M. Mullen announced that, after maturely considering the matter, he had concluded that it would not be proper for him to sit in the case. A similar case had been pending before him in the past two years, during which he had been consulted by both sides in the controversy, and had advised both sides as to the proper adjustment of their differences, which advice neither side had followed.

The judge stated that he would ask the Governor to designate another judge to try the case in the near future. It was thereupon continued. Counsel for the plaintiffs expressed the hope that the case will be brought to trial before the judge to be designated by Governor Swanson some time in October.

It is reported that an effort will be made to get Judge West, of the adjacent circuit, to try the case.

Refused to Sell.

A. A. Stagle, of this city, owner of the trotting stallion Judge Palmer, which has won the stakes at several of the recent Virginia fairs, has refused an offer of \$2,000 for the horse. The stallion has been entered for the races at the State Fair in Richmond, in the 2:24 class.

Cases in the Courts.

In the Police Court this morning Horace Harrison, a negro, was charged with forgery, and was sent to the Hustings Court for trial.

Sam Jones (colored), was fined \$40 for two drunkenness charges. After his first drunk a few days ago, on his promise to be a teetotaler and to let the demon alone, sentence was suspended, and he was placed on probation. He fell again yesterday, and now he has to serve his fines out in jail.

Anne McKee (colored) is to be tried in the Hustings Court next Monday for the murder of her husband, Grant McKee. The two quarreled over supper, and Anne ended the matter by shooting her husband, for which she has expressed no regret.

Marriage Celebrated.

A license was issued from the clerk's office to-day for the marriage of Miss Sarah Archer Rogers and Joseph Williams, both of this city. The marriage occurred in Richmond to-night.

Miss Beedle Bell Gately and Louis Allen Lewis, both of this city, were

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quietly married last night by the Rev. F. G. Ribble at the latter's home.

James Young, a member of the High School football team, while practicing last evening, fractured a bone in one of his shoulders.

Democrats to Meet.

A meeting of the Democratic City Central Committee will be held on Friday evening to arrange for work in the approaching State election.

CONVOCATION AT UNIVERSITY.

Annual Ceremony Will Take Place on Saturday.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA., September 29.—The convocation ceremony at the University of Virginia for the session of 1909-10 will be held in Cabell Hall Saturday afternoon. President Alderman will make an address outlining his policy for the year and giving statistics as to the registration in the various departments of the university, compared with previous years. He will also make public other matters of interest to the university community.

Following Dr. Alderman, the two new members of the faculty will address the students. These men, Dr. C. D. Alphonso Smith, of the Edgar Allan Poe Memorial School of English Literature, and Dr. Joseph H. Kastle, of the school of chemistry, will on that occasion make their first public appearance as members of the faculty of the university. They are eminent men, who come to Virginia from the University of North Carolina and the government service at Washington, respectively.

The convocation ceremony, which was inaugurated only a few years ago, since the advent of Dr. Alderman to the presidency of the university, is the first time during the session that all of the students and the faculty gather together. The occasion is one in which one may get an idea of just what the university men and the professors are like, and also imbibe some of the spirit of the place.

Supreme Court Decisions.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

RALPHIGH, N. C., September 29.—Nineteen appeals were disposed of this afternoon by the Supreme Court, with opinions and otherwise, as follows:

Waters vs. Susman, Beaufort, affirmed; Bell vs. Jones, Beaufort, affirmed; Cox vs. Euse Lumber Company, reversed; Noble vs. Lumber Company, affirmed; Gray vs. James, Pitt, affirmed; Swain vs. Johnson, Carteret, affirmed; Richardson vs. Express Company, Craven, appeal dismissed; State vs. Collins, Nash, affirmed; State vs. Prigden, Nash, error; State vs. Alston, Nash, affirmed; Simms vs. Vick, Wilson, error; Lumber Company vs. Smith, Caldwell, affirmed; Williams vs. McRaydon, Sampson, dismissed for failure to print; State vs. Moore, Sampson, appeal dismissed on account of insufficient order allowing appeal in form pauper; State vs. Gibson, Craven, per curiam, affirmed; Carver vs. Bible, Carteret, per curiam, affirmed; Taylor vs. Taylor, Martin, per curiam, affirmed; Braswell vs. Assurance Company, Edgecombe, per curiam, affirmed; Winstead vs. Railroad, Wilson, appeal withdrawn by appellant.

PORTRAITS HUNG IN COURTHOUSE.

Interesting Ceremony at Cumberland in Honor of Distinguished Men.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

CUMBERLAND, VA., September 29.—A most interesting ceremony took place here upon the assembling of Circuit Court, when the session was suspended for the purpose of receiving portraits of prominent men to be hung on the courthouse walls. A large crowd was present. Judge George J. Hundley was chosen to preside, after which portraits were presented as follows:

Judge Daniel A. Wilson, by Captain J. A. Booker, and accepted by B. B. Woodcock; Judge Frank D. Irving, by Judge Asa D. Watkins, accepted by Hon. Paul McRae; Judge Samuel F. Coleman, by Hon. H. D. Flood, accepted by Judge Asa D. Watkins; Colonel Valentine Parrish, by Colonel R. T. Hubbard, accepted by William Lancaster; B. B. Woodcock, for nearly fifty years clerk of the county, by Judge William M. Smith, accepted by Judge Asa D. Watkins; Captain George H. Mathews, who lost his life in the gallant charge at Mitchell's Shop, by General John B. Phillips, accepted by Colonel R. T. Hubbard.

Both General Phillips and Colonel

Hubard were comrades of Captain Mathews, and made appropriate addresses.

Judge Hundley made a brief talk, in which he named a number of others who are worthy of similar honor, and urged the committee appointed by him for this purpose to secure their portraits and have them hung on the walls.

The committee having this matter in charge is composed of H. K. Adams, R. O. Garrett, Judge William M. Smith, General John B. Phillips, John T. Foster, Captain J. A. Booker and William Lancaster.

Delegates A're for Owen.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

MEHERRIN, VA., September 29.—The last district mass-meeting to be held in Prince Edward county, to name delegates to the convention, which meets at Burkeville on October 1, for the purpose of nominating a State Senator to succeed Judge Mann, was held at Worsham to-day. The two

delegates named were instructed for J. J. Owen, who has also secured every other delegates from his home county, a total of eleven.

It is expected that the proceedings at Burkeville will be of a high temperature, and the outlook is being eagerly watched, since this is the first old-time convention that has been held for several years.

STEAM TUG SINKS AT WHARF

Big Bear Killed—Child Burned—Address on Subject of Education.

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WASHINGTON, N. C., September 29.—The steam tug belonging to Captain Jackson, of this city, sank very suddenly at her wharf near the lumber plant of the Moore Lumber Company, on East Main Street, during the high wind that prevailed in this vicinity yesterday morning. The cause of the accident is unknown, as the tug was in good condition when a member of the crew was on her about twenty minutes before she sank. Fortunately there was no one on the vessel at the time of the accident. The tug is being pumped out and raised.

John R. Perry, who resides in this county about ten miles from this city, successfully bagged and killed a large black bear yesterday morning near his home. Bruin was caught in a box trap and was one of the largest bears ever killed in this county. He was six and one-half feet long, three feet high and weighed 250 pounds dressed. The meat was brought to this city and sold in the local market.

The six-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Ira Congleton, of this city, was painfully burned at the home of his parents yesterday afternoon. He was playing with matches when his clothing caught on fire, severely and painfully burning him in the abdomen.

A large and enthusiastic crowd of people greeted Hon. J. Y. Joyner, of Raleigh, at Old Ford township, in this county, yesterday, when he addressed the assembly on the subject of education. A large number of Washington people attended the speaking and afterwards a sumptuous picnic dinner was served by the ladies. The day was thoroughly enjoyed by all who attended, and Mr. Joyner charmed his audience by his address, which was well received, and at times brought forth much applause.

PROSPECTS ARE BRIGHT FOR NEW HIGH SCHOOL

CARTERSVILLE, VA., September 29.—In response to a call by C. W. Dickinson, Jr., superintendent of schools for Cumberland and Goochland counties, a mass-meeting of the citizens of the lower part of Cumberland was held in the Town Hall at Cartersville this week in the interest of a high school for the neighborhood.

After calling the meeting to order, Superintendent Dickinson called for a vote on a location for the high school building. A site containing five acres, about two and a half miles from Cartersville, was offered free by S. W. Parker, a public-spirited citizen of the county and the offer was accepted.

Professor Burr, of the Caldwell High School, Goochland county, was then introduced and told of the success of the school at Caldwell.

Hon. J. S. Thomas, assistant State superintendent, was then introduced and gave a most entertaining and instructive talk, well seasoned with humor, emphasizing the importance of good schools for the children.

Subscriptions were asked for and over \$2,000 was raised in amounts ranging from \$200 down to \$5, several women in the audience subscribing liberally. The people seem to be thoroughly in earnest, and prospects are bright for a high school here.

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event. The crowd was a record-breaking one. From 5,000 to 8,000 people usually attend the fair on the second day. With a big circus on the grounds to-day, the swirling mass outnumbered any previous day's attendance in the history of the association. The social side was one of the most enjoyable features. Hundreds of people from the surrounding sections and from many cities were here mingling with friends whom they had not seen since the last fair. The fair is always an occasion of reunion of families and friends. The day was spent by the visitors viewing the displays in the various departments, enjoying the amusements, witnessing the races and attending the circus, which exhibited within the fair grounds.

RAILROADS WILL CONNECT.

Atlantic Coast Line Lets Contracts for Standardizing Branch.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

CHARLOTTE, N. C., September 29.—Contracts were awarded to-day by the Atlantic Coast Line for the necessary grading and concrete work for standardizing its branch line from Florence, S. C., to its connection with the Winston-Salem, Southbound line being built jointly by the Atlantic Coast Line and Norfolk and Western Railroad Companies as a coal-carrying road, and will be completed in about one year.

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ARLINGTON, N. C., September 29.—Figures compiled by Auditor Stokely show Buncombe county's taxable property this far returned to be \$20,327,559, an increase of \$1,015,666 over last year. Some property yet remains to be listed.

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Mission Societies in Session.

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SUFFOLK, VA., September 29.—The second day's session of the Portsmouth Baptist Association here to-day was devoted chiefly to discussions of missions and education. The ninth annual meeting of the Women's Missionary Union also was in session. This was presided over by Mrs. Sadie Culpeper, Portsmouth.

Negro's Case with Jury.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

BRISTOL, VA., September 29.—The case of Alfred Johnson was given to the jury at Blountville, Tenn., late this afternoon, and a verdict is expected to-morrow. Johnson is the negro who is charged with having held up and murdered George M. Smith, a prominent Bristol man, for the purpose of robbery. He was convicted at a former trial, but his case was remanded by the Supreme Court for a new trial.

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